

RESOLUTION NO.

WHEREAS, the Town Lake Hike and Bike Trail serves as a key amenity for citizens and visitors, providing a unique gathering place for fitness, recreation and spiritual rejuvenation; and

WHEREAS, Austin's rapid growth and the revitalization of the urban core have dramatically increased the number of users on the Trail; and

WHEREAS, additional amenities, improvements and support facilities are needed in order to serve the growing number of Trail users; and

WHEREAS, the citizens of Austin passed a bond election in November 2006 to provide funding for much needed trail renovations; and

WHEREAS, the Town Lake Trail Foundation has a well-demonstrated record of bringing together and representing the wide range of Trail stakeholder groups and of working with the City to plan and implement trail improvements; and

WHEREAS, citizens have expressed a strong desire to honor the dedication and hard work of Lady Bird Johnson and the Town Lake Beautification Committee and to carry forward and build upon their vision; and

WHEREAS, it is the desire of the City Council to plan strategically for future trail amenities and improvements; **NOW, THEREFORE**,

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF AUSTIN:

The City Council directs the City Manager to join in cooperation with the Town Lake Trail Foundation for the development of a Hike and Bike Trail Enhancement Plan detailing needs for future Trail projects, to submit the Plan for review and comment by the City of Austin Parks and Recreation Board, and to bring the Plan forward for Council approval within 180 days.

ADOPTED: _____, 2007

ATTEST: _____

Shirley A. Gentry
City Clerk